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David W. Godlewski Cominco American Incorporated 15918 East Euclid Avenue Spokane, Washington 99216-1815

Re: Request for Annual Report for the Year 1997

Dear Mr. Godlewski:

The enclosed annual report form(s) for the mine(s) referenced below should be completed and returned to this office by January 31, 1998.

Mine No.

Mine Name

M/053/004

Apex Mine

Annual reports are required by Rules R647-3-116 and R647-4-121 of the Division's Amended and New Rules, Minerals Reclamation Program. Annual reports are required regardless of annual mine activity, unless you have received a written waiver or formal release from continued reclamation obligations from the Division. Thank you for your cooperation and prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely, D. Wayne Zedberg

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

Minerals Reclamation Program

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